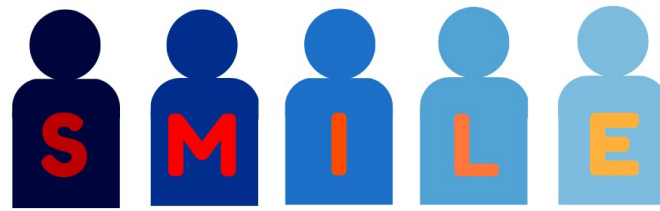


Hasland Infant And Nursery School



We All SMILE

Welcome to Hasland Infant School



'We all SMILE'



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We would like to wish you a warm welcome to Hasland Infant and Nursery School.

We are a large infant school, well respected in the local community and beyond.

We are very proud of our educational achievements and of our children who consistently tell us how much they enjoy school. We strongly believe that education should be holistic and that, within a safe encouraging environment, we can all do our best.

Our school prides itself on its welcoming atmosphere and our creative approach to the curriculum. We recognise the importance of developing successful learners, confident individuals and responsible citizens. We encourage our children to persevere, problem solve, work independently and think for themselves.

We know that children achieve their best when the partnership between home and school is a good one. We are committed to providing a first class educational experience for every child – we are aspirational for all our children and we hope that you will work closely with us to achieve this.

We are an inclusive school and take pride in our provision for children with additional needs and disabilities. We believe in early intervention so when we identify a child experiencing a difficulty we work closely with parents/carers to offer support. Please contact our SENCO Miss Power should you have any concerns.

We hope you find the following information useful in preparation for your child starting school. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you do have any questions.



This is the beginning of a very exciting journey.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Charlotte Lavender
Headteacher



OUR AIMS

- To create a safe, calm, stimulating and achieving environment
- To establish a community in which we are all valued
- To promote respectful, compassionate and inclusive attitudes
- To develop independence, self-esteem, confidence and a love of learning
- To recognise and encourage talent and ability
- To deliver a high quality education through a vibrant and creative curriculum

Behaviour

We have high expectations of achievements across the curriculum and of behaviour, believing that all children can succeed. Children are taught respect for themselves and other people as well as for property and their environment. Through our positive behaviour policy 'SMILE and Brightest Gems', children are reminded about what is expected, given clear guidelines and rewarded for their good behaviour.

Bullying will not be tolerated at any level; the deliberate and repeated calling of names, racist comments, threats or physical aggression are all totally unacceptable. Any reports of bullying will be fully investigated and dealt with by the Headteacher. This behaviour is out of step with our school aims and will be dealt with accordingly.

SMILE

This is the way we help children to understand our ambitions for them to be happy, safe and successful. Children are taught that SMILE means we want them to be:

- S Successful learners
- M Marvellous manners
- I Independent thinkers
- L Love for learning
- E Everyone matters

When we follow these 'We all SMILE'. At the end of each day one child from each class is chosen to be the 'SMILE Superstar' and is rewarded with a smile to take home.



Star of the Week

Each week we hold our 'Star of the week' assembly to celebrate the work and achievements of the children. Parents of our 'Stars' receive a phone call inviting them to this exciting celebration.



Hasland's Brightest Gems

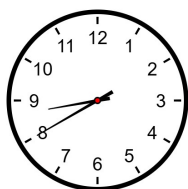
Each year the children in every class are placed into one of our four 'Hasland Brightest Gems' teams. Children are given a team point if they are following our SMILE expectations. At the end of each week the team scores are displayed in the hall and, at the end of each half term, we have a special assembly and the team with the most points are given extra playtime. The names of our teams are:

- Dynamic Diamond
- Radiant Ruby
- Terrific Topaz
- Excellent Emerald

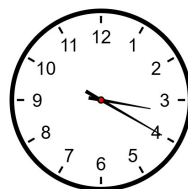


Starting Reception

That special day has arrived, your child's first day at school! Most parents are anxious when they first leave their child at school. Every child is different in the amount of time he/she takes to settle in. We are here to help and we all want to make your child's time with us a happy one.



Start of School Day



End of School Day

Below is some key information which you need to be aware of:

- The school doors open at 8.40 am and children are expected to be in school by 8.50 am, with registers closing at 8.55am. During this time staff supervise the doors to welcome the children into school. Once you have said goodbye to your child they will walk into school and be greeted by other staff members in their class.
- The staff member on the door is available if you need to pass on any messages about your child.
- The school gates will be locked at 8.50 am. If for any reason you are late, please report to the main school office. Children arriving between 8.50 am and 8.55 am will be marked as Late. Children arriving after 8.55 am will receive an 'unauthorised absence'. If your child receives an unauthorised absence this will impact their attendance score.
- At the end of the day the school gate will be opened at 3.15 pm. The school day finishes at 3.20 pm. Staff will only allow children out of the building once they have seen the appropriate adult. Please inform your child's teacher of any changes concerning the collection of your child.

Class Organisation

Reception classes are organised so there is a mix of children from other Pre-school settings alongside those from our nursery.

As the children move into Year 1 and then Year 2 classes are split and reorganised to ensure the children have the opportunity to develop new friendships and work alongside others.



Uniform

Our school uniform is as follows:

- Navy sweatshirts, cardigans, jumpers, fleeces
- White shirts/polo shirts, blouses
- Grey trousers/skirts, pinafores
- Children should wear black, flat sensible shoes suitable for outdoor learning
- In the summer we suggest blue and white checked dresses for girls and grey shorts for boys
- Please name all items of clothing.
- Library bag
- Book bag

PE Kit

- Named PE bag
- Navy shorts
- White tee-shirt
- A pair of plimsoles (these should either have elastic sides or a Velcro fastening)
- Girls who wear tights need a spare pair of socks in their PE kit.

Jewellery

Children are not allowed to wear jewellery. However, children with pierced ears may wear small plain studs only (teachers will not remove or insert earrings). Stud earrings must be covered on PE days. This must be done **before** they come to school. Otherwise, they will have to be removed **by the child**.

Uniform embroidered with the school logo can be purchased from Just Schoolwear
www.just-schoolwear.co.uk/product-category/hasland-infant-nursery-school

You are also free to purchase school uniform without the logo from any local source.

Children will also require a book bag, which can also be purchased via the link above. Please do not send your child to school with a large rucksack/bag as we are unable to store these.

School Lunch

Delicious meals are cooked and served at school prepared from fresh local produce and are very popular with our children. Our kitchen staff have been awarded a gold award for achieving the highest standards in food service, food production, hygiene and health and safety.

All Infant children are entitled to a **free** school meal and we encourage your child to enjoy a healthy, nutritious lunch at school every day.

We offer children the opportunity to **choose** between a hot meal, a jacket potato and a sandwich.

The school dinner menu runs on a three-week cycle. All children will receive a copy of the new menu each time it is published.

The latest menu can also be viewed on the school website under Parents » School Meals.

If your child has any allergies or food intolerances, please ensure you have completed the 'Medical diet' form included in your welcome pack.



Snack Time

Each day, your child will be provided with a healthy snack. This will either be a piece of fruit or vegetable i.e. carrots, apples, pears, bananas, cherry tomatoes or oranges.

Please do not send your child to school with a snack.

Please send your child with a named water bottle. This will come home every day to be washed and refilled at home.

Attendance

Attainment is clearly linked with attendance, therefore regular attendance is **essential** for children to get the most from school. The Government define good attendance as '96% or above'. Attendance is monitored on a weekly basis and, where it falls below **96%**, a member of staff may contact you to discuss this.

However, we understand that children do become ill. If your child is unwell and is unable to attend school please notify the school office on 01246 234745 **before** 8.45 am.

If no message has been received giving a reason for the absence, the school office will try to contact the parent/carer. If there is no response by 10 am, a member of the Senior Leadership team will visit the home address to check on the safety of the child. For more information regarding school attendance please refer to the 'School Attendance—the law' leaflet enclosed in your welcome pack.

Illness and Accidents

If children become ill or have an accident in school they will be seen by a member of staff trained in first aid. We will contact parents if children are not well enough to be in school or if they have had an accident. Emergency cases will be taken to hospital by ambulance immediately and parents will be notified.

If your child is absent with sickness and/or diarrhoea, we ask that they are clear of any symptoms for 48 hours before returning to school.

Medicines

If a doctor has prescribed medication which must be taken four times a day including a lunch time dose, then parents must complete a consent form to allow staff to administer this dose. Medication which must be taken three times a day or less should be managed without a dose being given at school.

If your child suffers from asthma please let us know. We follow the recommendations of the asthma campaign which includes a member of staff trained in first aid supervising children administering their own inhalers. This requires written parental consent.

If your child has any other medical conditions that require regular ongoing medication, please talk to us about your needs. For long-term medication for asthma, epilepsy, allergies etc, please collect the appropriate form from school in order that the details may be placed on your child's records.

School will keep a stock of over the counter liquid paracetamol to give to children who have written consent from their parent or carer on file, which will be reviewed annually. Please see the Parental Permission Form enclosed in this pack.

In the event that a member of staff believes a child would benefit from a dose of paracetamol the medicine will be given where there is written permission on file and following a phone call to parents during which time oral consent will be obtained and confirmation given that the child has not already had a dose of paracetamol in the preceding four hours.

It is vital that the **two** contact names and telephone numbers on the registration forms are kept up to date. Please inform the school office of any changes.

Early Help, Nurture and Pastoral Support

At Hasland Infant and Nursery school, nurture and pastoral support is something we offer to all of our children and is a key part of our vision and school ethos.

We take a holistic approach to supporting our children which means that we also provide support to our parents, carers and the wider family. We know that being a parent is hard work and there are no instructions! At times, your child, you or your family may need some extra support. At Hasland Infant and Nursery School we can offer a friendly welcome, a listening ear and, if necessary, we can help you to work out what to do next and help you to identify where you may benefit from extra help, and who is the best person or service to work with your child, yourself or your family

You can read more about our Early Help, Nurture and Pastoral Support on our website under Key Information » Early Help Offer

Safeguarding

Child protection

Parents should be aware that the school will take any reasonable action to ensure the safety of its children. In cases where the school has reason to be concerned that a child may be the subject of ill-treatment, neglect or other forms of abuse, staff and helpers will follow County Child Protection procedures and inform Social Care (formerly Social Services) of their concern.

Recruitment policy

Safer recruitment policies and procedures are followed and all staff are DBS checked.

Every child matters

We fully endorse the principles in "Every Child Matters" which are that every child has the right to:

- Be Healthy
- Stay Safe
- Enjoy and Achieve
- Make a positive contribution
- Achieve economic wellbeing

Online Safety

The school has a comprehensive online policy, a copy of which can be requested and can also be viewed on our school website under Key Information » Policies



Class teachers promote the welfare and share pastoral care of their children along with the Headteacher, other school staff and helpers, as well as outside agencies.

The person with overall responsibility for Child Protection/Safeguarding is the Headteacher – Mrs Charlotte Lavender. The Deputy Child Protection Officers are Mrs Oliver and Mrs Daykin.

Road Safety

We are very conscious of maintaining a safe school environment. Sometimes thoughtless parking on Eyre Street East at school opening and closing time causes concern. Please observe the yellow zig zag lines outside the school entrance and do not park on them. When possible please park further away and walk the last part of your journey.



Additional Activities

Friends of Hasland Infant School

We have an excellent PTFA who organise very enjoyable and successful events. These include our Festive Family Funday, the Summer Fair and more. They also organise fun events for the children including the Year 2 Prom. The money raised is used to buy additional resources for the school or to provide extra activities for the children.

New members are always welcome. Recently, they funded our wonderful new Reading Garden. Please refer to your welcome pack for more information on getting involved, or you can email them at haslandpta@gmail.com

Annual Events

We are proud to offer children and parents a wide variety of experiences and opportunities throughout the year. The list below will give you an indication of some of the events which take place.

Harvest Festival – Children can bring items into school which we send to the food bank.

Children in Need – We take part in this annual fundraiser.

Christmas Shop – The PTFA run a Christmas shop in school for the children to buy small gifts for family members.

Christmas Jumper day – We ask each child to come to school in a Christmas jumper or something 'Christmassy' to support the charity 'Save the children'.

Christmas performances – Each year group takes part in a Christmas performance that you will be invited to and that will really put you in the festive mood.

Festive Family Fun Day – The PTFA run a fun filled afternoon of stalls, games and more.

World Book Day – An opportunity to dress up and celebrate our favourite books and authors.

Easter Hat Parade – Whole school parade in the school hall for children to share their decorated Easter hats and bonnets with the rest of the school

Balance Bike Training – The children take part in three sessions and receive a certificate.

Tales Toolkit Sessions – You will be invited in during your child's time in Reception to take part in a 'Tales Toolkit' session which promotes oral language and imaginative story telling skills.

Sounds Write Sessions – During your child's time in Reception you will be invited into school to join your child during their Sounds Write session. This is a wonderful opportunity to see how we teach phonics. Parents always tell us how useful and informative they find these sessions. These sessions are repeated in Year One and Year Two with a different focus.

Sports Day – This takes place during the Summer term and is another lovely opportunity to support and cheer your child on.

Summer Fair – This takes place after school and is a fun afternoon organised by the PTFA with games, stalls and lots to do for the whole family.

School Trip – Each year group goes on a trip that supports the Topic theme being taught in school.

Year 2 Residential – In Year Two there is a residential trip to an outdoor adventure provider where the children experience an overnight stay.

Year 2 Leavers Prom – The PTFA organise a prom where the Year 2 leavers can celebrate their time at Hasland Infant School with a disco and treats.

Parent Hub

We use Parent Hub to keep you up to date with everything that is going on in school. You'll receive messages, pictures, documents and newsletters, so please make sure you sign up!

You will need to register during your child's first week at school. Instructions can be found in your welcome pack.



Thank you for taking the time to read this.

We can't wait to welcome you to our school!



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